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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q63943

Takashi KATOH, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/842,086

Group Art Unit: 1752

Confirmation No.: 6947

Examiner: G. LETSCHER

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For: METHINE DYE AND SILVER HALIDE PHOTOGRAPHIC LIGHT-

SENSITIVE MATERIAL CONTAINING THE METHINE DYE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated August 20 2002. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is being concurrently filed, making a response due on or before October 20, 2002.

In response to Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group III, claims 13-16, drawn to a silver halide light-sensitive material comprising a compound represented by formula (6).

In response to the Examiner's election of species requirement, Applicants elect Dye I-4 (described at page 95 from the present specification).

These elections are made without traverse.

Response to Restriction and Election of Species Requirement U.S. Appln. No. 09/842,086

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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